(c) the details of schemes and programmes fourmulated by Government for development of roads in Aassm?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (DR. DEBENDRA PRADHAN): (a) and (b) The following amount have been allocated to the State of Assam for National Highways during the last five years and the current financial year:—

(Rs. in lakhs)

Year	Developmental work	Maintenance & Repair
1994-95	1485.00	1678.23
1995-96	1650.00	1443.95
1996-97	1212.00	1006.87
1997-98	1821.00	1162.55
1998-99	2600.00	2815.51
1999-2000	3100.00	3199.44

(c) 42 road and 20 bridge schemes are included in Annual Plan 1999-2000 for the development of NHs in Assam at an estimated cost of Rs. 146.26 crore. In additoin to this, a provision of Rs. 435.00 crore has been made towards Ministry's share for Rail-cum-Road Bridge at Bogi beel across Brahamputra near Dibrugarh. So far, 4 NH improvement schemes costing Rs. 838.05 lakhs have been sanctioned by the Ministry.

In addition to this, special renewals have been sanctioned for a length of 145.50 km at an estimated cost of Rs. 3170.22 lakh for NHs in Assam.

Development of Roads in Assam through Foreign Aid

184. SHRIMATI BASANTI SARMA: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the loans received from the World Financial Institutions for construction and repair of various National Highways in the State of Assam during the last three years;

(b) if so, the details of amount spent on the aforesaid projects

during this period;

(c) whether any concrete steps have been taken by Government to improve the roads and National Highways in Assam; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (DR. DEBENDRA PRADHAN): (a) No loan was received during the last three years from the World Financial Institutions for construction and repair of National Highways in the State of Assam.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) and (d) For the development and maintenance of National Highways in the State of Assam following amount has been allocated during 1999-2000.

	Amount (Rs. lakh)
(i) Ordinary Repairs	805.00
(ii) Periodic Renewals	2030.00
(iii) Flood damage repair (New)	300.00
(iv) Flood damage repair (Continuing)	64.44
TOTAL (M&R):	**3199.44**

National Highway (Original)—Rs. 3100.00 lakhs.

In addition to the this, Special Renewal Programme for 145.00 km length has been sanctioned at a cost of Rs. 3,170.22 lakh, for improving road condition.

Improvement of National Highways in North-Eastern Region

185. SHRIMATI BASANTI SARMA: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANPORT be pleased to state:

(a) the details of projects sanctioned by Government for improvement of National Highways in the country particularly in the NER;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and